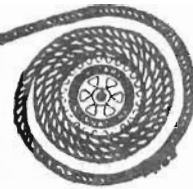




# HARBOR

OF THE ANN ARBOR ROTARY CLUB



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May 11, 1977 Noon Luncheon  
Speaker..... Rick Bay, Director of  
Field Services, U-M,  
Alumni Association  
Subject..... "It Just Ain't Sporting"  
Introducer... Bill Stegath  
Piano..... Don Bryant  
Song Leader.. John Smith  
Invocation... Larry Katz  
News Update.. Peter Greenquist

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### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

May 18th Tour of U-M Art Museum  
June 1st Carolyn Davis, Ph.D., Assoc.  
V.P., U-M Academic Affairs  
June 8th Fedele Fauri, Michigan  
Horse Racing

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### ATTENTION Ann Arbor ROTARIANS!!!

Our Ann Arbor Rotary Foundation is so easily and frequently confused with the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. So... let's solve our "identity crisis!" We'll have a contest, asking for lots of suggestions for a

new name. Let the suggestions be short, direct, distinguished and effective. The more, the better! Just to stimulate the creative juices, Millard Pryor promises all of the appropriate "hoopla" to the winner, plus a \$100 donation to the newly named foundation, in the name of the winner! Use the clipping below and get those ideas in NOW!

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### A MOST INTERESTING INVOCATION

Lord, Thou knowest better than we, that we are growing older, and will some day be old.

Keep us from getting talkative and particularly from the fatal habit of thinking we must say something on every subject and on every occasion.

Keep our minds free from the recital of endless details-give us wings to get to the point.

Teach us the glorious lesson that occasionally it is possible that we may be mistaken.

With our vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all - but Thou knowest, Lord, that we want a few friends in the end. Amen

(Anonymous)

(given by John Atwater 4/27/77)

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Introducing Wednesday speaker, Guy

I submit the following name change for our Ann Arbor Rotary Foundation, to distinguish it from The Rotary Foundation, of Rotary International.

(name change) \_\_\_\_\_

(print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Make certain your name is printed on the other side of this clipping, insert into a stamped envelope and mail to Stan Wells, Secretary, Ann Arbor Rotary Club, Michigan Union Building, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 48109 **ENTRY DEADLINE: May 14th** You may also bring suggestions to the May 10th meeting.

Larcom told Rotarians that Professor William E. Porter has been in the Journalism Department at U-M since 1962. He served as the department's chairman from 1966-73. The professor studied at the University of Iowa and has written both fiction and non-fiction for such publications as Colliers, Saturday Evening Post and Cosmopolitan. His most recent literary accomplishment is his book entitled, "The Nixon Years," in which he examines the relationship between the press and the government, specifically, the president.

The speaker recalled being a visitor at our club when Herb Klein was the speaker, and he reminisced as to what would have happened if Klein had stayed in a position of real authority, how the influence of this great professional on President Nixon would have perhaps altered the course of events.

It was not only Nixon who quarrelled with the press, but all presidents, with the exception of two, have found themselves at odds with the "written word." President Washington had it in for the National Gazette. President Jefferson, who is often quoted to have said that he'd rather have press without government, than government without press, changed his tune considerably after he became president. He said that a newspaper should have four well-labelled parts; truths, probabilities, possibilities and lies. He claimed that the last section would be by far the largest.

The professor continued to say that Lincoln was admittedly treated badly by the press. Wilson, seeking a forum outside the media, instituted the "State of the Union" address. Hoover, in press conferences, accepted only

written questions, skipping those which he did not "care to answer." Although Roosevelt liked the press in general, he once, at a formal occasion, gave the iron cross to a reporter he particularly disliked.

Historically, Professor Porter stated, presidents all start with a feeling of good-will toward the media, but in due time, this relationship becomes strained. Basically, he added, there are two issues, salience and timing, on which the two parties, press and president cannot agree. Both like to determine what are the big issues and when they are to be discussed.

Two trends have changed this relationship very much. The first is the breakdown of the old code of not discussing a person's personal life, while the second is a decrease in the percentage of the population interested in politics.

Professor Porter concluded that he particularly deplored the recent attacks on the press as an "institution." This, he added, sets "the style of the hunt."

(Notes by Harm Buning)

Customer: "Are you the girl who took my order?"

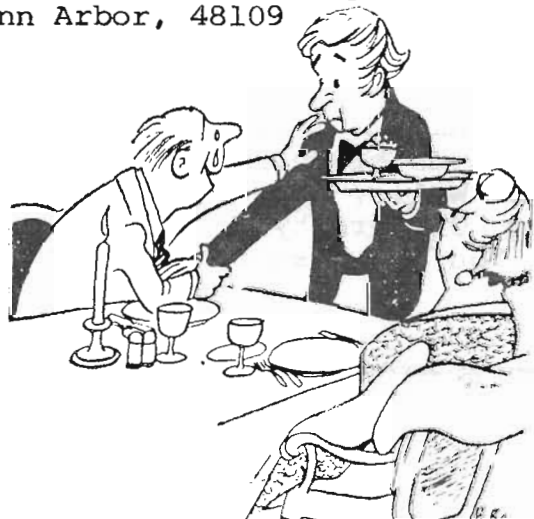
Waitress: "Yes, sir."

Customer: "By God! You don't look a day older!"

Dandelions are like a houseful of guests. You're glad to see the first one come and glad to see the last one go!

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"Thank heavens you're safe. I'm afraid we panicked and reported you to the bureau of missing persons."

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